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11. Post received a Diplomatic Note from CARICOM Secretariat June 12 forwarding for USG consideration a draft press release on small arms, light weapons, and ammunitions incorporating numerous amendments made by CARICOM member states to the earlier draft prepared by the USG. The note was recieved seven weeks after making requested demarche (refs A and B) on the proposed U.S.-CARICOM Initiative to Combat Illicit Trafficking in Arms (CITIA) that had been stuck in CARICOM's bureaucracy since March 2006.

 $\underline{\mathbb{1}}2$. The CARICOM draft has been forwarded by fax to WHA/FO-Giovanni Snidle. Thomas